

Village Council
Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting
January 8, 2008
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order: Dr. Bender called the organizational meeting to order.

Roll Call:

John Bender	Rick Deeds	Bruce Jarvis	Bobbie Mershon
Victor Paini	Marilyn Rush-Ekelberry	Leah Turner	

Outgoing President Comments: Dr. Bender, expressed his appreciation for the dedication and work accomplished in the past year by the council members, staff and volunteers in the Village of Canal Winchester, as well as the Sheriff's Dept. and Law Firm of Gene Hollins.

Nominations and Voting:

Council President

Mr. Jarvis nominated Mr. Deeds and Ms. Mershon seconded the nomination.
Ms. Turner nominated Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Paini seconded the nomination.

VOTES: Mr. Deeds was elected Council President as a result of paper ballots.

Council Vice President

Mr. Paini was nominated by Ms. Mershon and the nomination was seconded by Mr. Jarvis. Ms. Rush-Ekelberry made a motion to close nominations and it was seconded by Dr. Bender.

VOTES: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Ms. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Ms. Turner

Recess to caucus for Council Committees and Appointments: Mr. Jarvis moved to hold Executive Session to appoint Public Officials. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mershon.

VOTES: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Ms. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Ms. Turner
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Meeting re-commenced at 7:42pm.

Dr. Bender moved to approve the committee meeting assignments. Ms. Mershon seconded the motion.

Discussion of Council Rules: None at this time

Call to Order: Mr. Deeds called the regular meeting to order.

Roll Call:

Bobbie Mershon

Dr. Bender moved to approve the Council Meeting Minutes for December 17th, 2007. Ms. Mershon seconded the motion.

Adventures for Wish Kids extended a thank you to the Village of Canal Winchester for its donation and announced dates for Miracles & Magic 2008 on April 4th and April 5th, 2008

Alfred E. Schrader, attorney assisting with the creation of the JEDD notified the Franklin County Commissioners of Canal Winchester's impending participation.

Canal Winchester Local School District Board of Education extended an invitation to the dedication of the new middle school on Wednesday, January 16th 2008 at 6:30pm. See attached invitation.

Village Residents Comments:

Mr. Jeffrey Bond of 36 Washington Street stated that he is looking forward to new year. He advises that his intentions are adversarial, not personal. He intends to take strong stands on issues that need to be addressed. He also hopes for a patient, good, working relationship with Council in the upcoming year.

ORDINANCES: None at this time

RESOLUTIONS: None at this time

Mayor's Report: Mr. Ebert is looking forward to working together for the next four years.

Public Works Director: Mr. Matt Peoples advised that the first advertisement for the Columbus Street Reconstruction Project will run on January 9th and 16th with bids opening during the following week. Mr. Peoples and Mr. Steve Smith will be traveling to Virginia next week to look at new sludge processing equipment for the waste water treatment plant.

Development Director: See written report.

Community Affairs Director: See written report.

Village Solicitor: Mr. Gene Hollins advised that the Fairfield County Court of Common Pleas upheld the Thornton/Snider annexation on December 31st, 2007.

Mr. Hollins will prepare a written report to submit to Council at the next meeting with regard to ongoing litigations.

Mr. Hollins gave www.ohio.gov as a resource for Ethics issues for the Council. Mr. Jarvis asked if there was coursework available to have a representative come into a meeting and give a refresher course on Ethics. Mr. Hollins advised that there was the ability to have a representative come and give a live presentation. Ms. Mershon also stated that there is an Ethics section in each Municipal League Conference available.

Fairfield County Sheriff: See written report.

Mr. Jarvis discussed with Sgt. Kern a complaint about ATV use in a vacant lot about the 100 block of West Waterloo.

Finance Director: See written report.

Council Reports:

Public Hearing on JEDD creation	Monday, January 14, 2008 at 5:30 PM
Council	Tuesday, January 22, 2008
Public Hearing Re-zoning Winchester Farms	Tuesday, January 22, 2008 at 6:30 PM
Public Hearing Re-zoning 202 Cemetery Rd	Monday, February 4, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Dates and Times for Council Committees - See attached sheet.

New Business:

Mayor Ebert gave recommendations to the Landmarks Committee and Planning and Zoning Committee and advised that he will be making one more recommendation for the Landmarks Committee at the next Council meeting.

Ms. Mershon moved to accept the Mayor's appointments to the Landmark Committee and Planning and Zoning Committee. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bender

VOTE: **AYES** Mr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Ms. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Ms. Turner
NAYS

Mr. Paini and Ms. Turner stated that they were not notified of an event on January 6th at 3pm.

Old Business: None at this time

Adjourn to Executive Session:

Adjournment: Dr. Bender moved for adjournment of the meeting and Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTES: **AYES** Mr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Ms. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Ms. Turner
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Time out: 8:25pm

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Date

Mayor

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